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"Every one said to his brother, Be of good courage." Isa. XLI. 6.

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How Will You Observe It.

Day Appointed

Sabbath, May 25, has been appointed by the General Conference committee as Young People's Day. All our churches and companies in the United States and Canada are asked to devote that day to a study of the organized work for the youth. This work for our young people is becoming more and more interesting. Already the organization has grown until its influence encircles the earth, gripping thousands of young people, drawing them into the church, and quickening their footsteps in service.

What It Does

Recently a worker wrote, "Our conference is only six years old, but from churches where young people's societies have been organized several workers have gone forth. One young man has served as tent master, another is principal in an intermediate school, another is lecturing in connection with his medical course, still another is assistant secretary of a tract society,

and many others are canvassers. Some of our young ladies are church school teachers, nurses, Bible workers, and one is a matron in an intermediate school." This is one of the many evidences we have that with the blessing of God the organized work for the youth is helping to prepare messengers to carry speedily the last message of hope to a dying world.

Matilda Erickson,
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College Notes

Chaney Premier

President Griggs is visiting the Keene (Texas) Academy this week, also some of the academies of the Central Union Conference.

Miss Imogene Morrison, who graduates from the music department this year, gave her recital in the college chapel Saturday night. It was well attended.

Mr. A. D. Butterfield and Miss Nesty gave their junior oratorical recital in the sanitarium gymnasium Tuesday night, April 30.

A few evenings ago a surprise was given in honor of Miss Danielson, head of the oratory department, by her students. All met at the home of Miss Swedburg to which place Miss Danielson had been invited to spend the evening. The evening was spent in a very pleasant and educating manner. Songs were sung and readings given. About 10 o'clock light refreshments were served, after which Mr. Anderson gave a very fitting speech and presented Miss Danielson with a beautiful picture purchased by the class. Professor Griggs then sang a "Good Night" song, and all sepa-

rated to their homes feeling that the evening had been well spent.

Miss Carrie Hiatt who has been visiting her sister Lulu, has returned to her home in Kansas.

At the close of the canvassers' institute in Union College the chapel hour on Tuesday morning, April 30, was devoted to a special program, which proved to be a lively one indeed. It took somewhat the form of a social meeting, many students among the young men and young women as well expressing their determination to sell \$500.00 worth of books during next vacation period. It is certainly an inspiration to see so many of the young people in the college this year whose faces seem to be set in the line of the canvassing work. What seemed to be the sentiment expressed in the testimonies borne in that meeting is expressed in the following words of the prophet: "For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed."



Nebraska Sanitarium Work

Catherine French

Sanitarium work does not change much from month to month or from year to year. One class of nurses graduate and leave, to make room for another class doing the same work. One patient leaves, and another comes with perhaps the very same ailment

as the one who is going. But we are glad that the most of the nurses who leave, go with a training, which, if devoted to God, will make them a blessing to the world. The greater number of the patients leave with renewed strength, increased courage, and a knowledge of health principles, which, if put into practice, will enable them to avoid a return of the diseases that brought them here. Many patients do return, however; some for further treatment; some to rest; and some to visit a few days at the "place which seems so much like home," as they express it. It is one of the pleasures of sanitarium life to have old patients return for a little visit, or to come bringing some friend; then to see how they have improved, and to hear their words of appreciation for the benefit received when they were here. A patient who came back a day or two ago said, "Oh, it is so good to get home again."

Many patients speak of the religious atmosphere of the place; of what an encouragement it is to them in their fight for health to know that we trust in, and ask help from, a more than human power.

Doctors, preachers, lawyers, senators, bankers, teachers, merchants, people of all classes, come to us. Even farmers, who can most easily live in harmony with nature's laws, are among our patients. It is interesting to note the ailments which afflict the different classes. Those who work in the cities and indoors are the most subject to diseases in which the nervous system is chiefly affected. The loaded table of the farmer, with meat and coffee at every meal, perhaps accounts for the large number of this class who suffer from indigestion. It is especially interesting to note how many doctors, who understand the nature and effect of drugs, when they themselves, or members of their families, are sick, come here, instead of going where drugs are used.

The work has been heavy this winter. At times every room in the house has been full. There has been some heavy surgical work, and an unusual number of patients requiring a nurse, so the workers have been kept busy. There are thirty-four nurses in training, beside about twenty other helpers. There are also a number of students in Union College who work as their school duties will permit, and in this way help meet their school expenses.

Sanitarium work is one of the means by which God gives the truth to the world. We do not even have

to go to the people. They come to us, thus giving us the chance to meet them on our own ground, which is always vantage ground.

Many people know little or nothing of our sanitariums. So we ask the cooperation of our people. Tell the sick people in your neighborhood of the institutions where they can not only get well, but where they can learn how to keep well.

Especially remember the work in your prayers. "Prayer brings Jesus to our side, unites us with one another, turns aside the attacks of Satan, moves the arm of Omnipotence."

Wyoming Conference

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Camp-meeting

D. U. Hale

"Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year." "Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord God." Ex. 23:14, 17. These are some of the words the Lord gave to Moses to give to the children of Israel. They are significant to us to-day. They were given to a people who had recently been delivered from slavery. They needed instruction. They needed new incentives. They needed to come near to God. God knew there was no better way to stimulate activity in the spiritual life than to bring those who are living such a life together.

In our little sphere at home we naturally become centralized. Things are moving smoothly, and we feel that we are doing great things for the Lord, but really we may have settled down into a routine. We go over the same round day by day in the same circle, and really we are making no advancement and yet we are busy. Getting out and mingling with others stimulate us to activity that we had not thought of before.

We know things in this world largely by comparison. If we go to a foreign country things are new. We know but little about them only as we are able to compare them with what we have known before. You step into an English store and call for a suit of clothes. They hand you a nice suit saying the price is forty-two shillings. You do not know if that is costly or cheap; you need to compare it with money that you know before you can tell anything about the price. If the man should say \$10.50 you have something to com-

pare it with that you know. So we may be doing a work. We feel we are doing our best. It is going smoothly and you think you are doing fine. But get with some one else and hear what he is doing and you will see you are doing very little.

We may be trotting along the road feeling that we are moving right along. Some one comes up behind us and we are moving too slow for them. They drive around us and soon they are far ahead. We find we are not moving rapidly after all. God has appointed meetings to help his people to move evenly and harmoniously. Those who are earnest and zealous and are pushing things become a means of urging others who are not doing much to push ahead.

We may feel that we are sacrificing heavily, but we meet some good brother or sister who is making so much greater sacrifices than we are that we are ashamed to mention our own. There is no better place than at camp-meeting for us to find out how we are getting along spiritually. We get new thoughts, new ideas, new motives and new aspirations for service.

Brethren, do you want to see just where you are and how you are getting along? Come to the camp-meeting. God has appointed it to unify and even up his work. Come and round up your work for the past year, and set a new mark for the year to come. From the indications on every hand, we will not have the privilege of many more of these meetings until the great meeting on the sea of glass. Come and let us make sure that we are doing all that can be done to help finish this message. Come and let us make sure that every fault and blemish is out of our life. The date is June 13-23. If you have not already begun to plan to be there, begin now.

Office Notes

Asa Smith

We were pleased to get a letter from Paul Curtis at Garland, Wyo.

B. F. Abbott has been elected as the elder of the church at Sheldon, Wyo. Brother Abbott came from Houston, Texas, last fall. He is a man of many years' experience and will make a good officer.

Mrs. H. T. Royal, of Boneita Springs, S. Dak., writes that the *Review* and *OUTLOOK* are just like letters from home. She would not think of getting along without them.

Elder Hale spent last Sabbath with the little company from Union College who have located near Sidney, Nebr.

There has not been such a good prospect for crops in this part of the country for many years. The ground is wet down for a depth of three feet or more in the fields. Let us thank the Lord for this blessing, and let us all make some investment for Missions of some portion of the crop.

Elder Reeder writes that he is now at home. He will not be in the field again for a few weeks, as he has some personal business which demands his attention. He hopes, however, to be able to take up the work again before camp-meeting.

C. L. Burlingame writes from Deatur, Arkansas, enclosing a nice remittance of tithes, which, however, will be the last the Wyoming Conference will receive from them for the present, as they are asking for a transfer of their membership. They like their new home very much.

A postcard from Elder R. T. Baer, formerly one of the Wyoming Conference workers, states that they are having a very interesting institute in connection with the Columbia Union conference at Pittsburg, Pa.

Professor von Pohle, principal of the Wyoming Intermediate School, came to Crawford last Friday on business and remained over Sabbath with the Crawford church. His visit was very much appreciated by those who were able to be present. The school will close May 10.

We were much pleased to receive a private letter from the Union Conference auditor, W. J. Huffman. He is now working at Topeka, Kans. He has now been away from home for about a month and says it will probably be some weeks yet before he can see his family.

In last week's notes we stated that it had been reported that Elder J. J. Nethery and wife were on the ill-fated Titanic. It had been their purpose to sail on that boat, but for some reason they took another boat which landed them safely on American shores some days earlier. We are indeed very thankful to learn this.

We were suddenly aroused from pleasant dreams one night last week by a message from Elder Berry. He

had been for some time from twenty to sixty miles from the railroad and had just reached Wasta, S. Dak. He is visiting the members this week in Deadwood and Belle Fourche.

From several parts of the conference comes the word that storms and bad weather had prevented our people from getting together for several Sabbaths. Where so many live in the country and have from two to ten or twelve miles to go, it can hardly be expected that they would want to expose their teams for several hours to snow and rain. But we are hopeful that there will come a change soon.

Brother E. Aplin, wife, son and daughter-in-law, are new names to be added to our list. Brother Aplin is in charge of the officer's mess at Fort Yellowstone, Wyoming. He is permitted to so arrange his work that he can keep the Sabbath; in fact, the reason he was chosen for the place was because he was an Adventist, the officers being acquainted with our work at Walla Walla. Brother Aplin is improving the opportunity to place the truth before the soldiers. One young man has already accepted the truth but feels that he cannot properly observe the Sabbath until the time of his enlistment has expired, which will be soon.

West Kansas Conference

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Gifts and Offerings

N. T. Sutton

God has given us a definite work to do in this generation. This definite work is defined in the three-fold message of Revelation 14. This work commenced with the judgment, and closes with the harvest of the earth. Those who have their hearts knit with this message will do all that is in their power for its advancement into all the world. Its expansion and advancement will cause their hearts to greatly rejoice. Our missionaries are scattered to-day in most all the world, and God is wonderfully blessing the efforts which they are putting forth. These dear souls have left the home land, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, all very dear to their hearts, and have gone forth into the great regions beyond, for the enlightenment of those who sit in darkness. Then shall we not remember these missionaries morning by morning at

the throne of grace that the Father of all mercy will watch over them and guide them in all their undertakings?

Now, brethren, this expansion of the message calls loudly to us for means to-day, and shall we not do something at this time? The farmer can set apart an acre or more of wheat, corn, cane or some other farm product, and our sisters can dedicate one or more settings of eggs or some part of the garden. The wage earner can set apart a certain amount of his wages month by month. Let the children also have a part in this great work. Many little rivulets swell the mighty stream.

Let every one of us do something definite this year for the cause we love, and I am sure that we will receive a great blessing, and better still, be a blessing to many poor souls who to-day are bowing down to wood and stone. Let us pray earnestly over this matter and let God lead us in this plan. Remember that soon the opportunity of working for the salvation of souls will be forever past.

I will be pleased to hear from each one who will do something definite this year. May God's blessing rest upon the work both at home and abroad, and may each one of us be an overcomer.

Canvassing Notes

L. R. Ackerman

Anyone who feels that the Lord calls him to have some part in the distribution of our literature, and is not in a position to go, perhaps can assist by offering a home or a horse and buggy to those who are entering the work. Who will volunteer or give or lend a gentle horse to be used in the canvassing work?

A canvassers' institute will be held at the Hill Academy, beginning May 10, and continuing until the close of school, May 21. All who can attend are cordially invited. May the Lord bless in this effort to better prepare those who are planning on entering this branch of His work.

Last week Brother Cole met a family who had been won from the darkness of Catholicism to the Protestant faith by reading the book "Great Controversy." May the Lord continue to lead souls from step to step till they find the glorious light of the third angel's message.

Brother Cole and Ray Callender are doing good work in Saline Co.

Brother Callender is using his auto-cycle to good advantage. We look for some good results from their work in that county. Sister Callender is canvassing in Wichita. We trust that many books may be left in the homes of the people, and that some may be led to a knowledge of the truth.

Sabbath, May 25, has been appointed as Young People's Day. At that time make a careful study of the work which is helping to save and train young people everywhere.

A good program has been provided for Young People's Day, May 25. See the *Review and Herald* of May 9. The program will contain splendid articles from Elder A. G. Daniells and Professor M. E. Kern. Do not miss them, and do not fail to observe May 25 as Missionary Volunteer Day in your church.

Iuka, Kansas

A. S. Bringle

April 5 to 7 I visited the few isolated Sabbath-keepers near South Haven, Kans., holding a meeting each evening, twice on the Sabbath and twice on Sunday. On Sabbath we organized a Sabbath-school of eight. At the Sabbath afternoon service, we had a most excellent meeting, nearly all present taking part. One boy of fourteen took his first steps for the kingdom. I have never enjoyed a meeting more than this one. The Sabbath-school will be held in Brother Thomas Porter's house, which is central for all. This company has not been visited for some time, and all seemed so glad to have meetings. On the 11th of April I came to Naron in Pratt County, where I had held meetings during the winter until the snow drifts stopped the people from coming. The interest seems good. There are no Sabbath-keepers in this vicinity, but I am laboring hard to find those that will keep it. The attendance is growing, right in the face of corn plowing time. An average of fifty attend each evening's service. I need help for visiting, as the people are coming for five and six miles each way, it being in the country eleven miles from any railroad. I will send in another report before very long.

Brethren and sisters, pray for these people that many may step out and obey this precious truth.

Advise well before you begin; and when you have decided, act promptly.

Collyer, Kansas

S. S. Shrock

After our committee council at Hutchinson, I came to Canton for the quarterly meeting, remaining from April 11 to 14. We had excellent meetings. A number of acres of corn and other things were pledged for our mission fund. From here I came to Rush County to meet Elder Haffner, visiting Nekoma and Shaffer.

On Sabbath afternoon as we came out of the church at Shaffer, we saw a dreadful tornado about five miles west, moving northward and a little east. It struck Bison and wellnigh destroyed the east part of the town. The Baptist church and many dwelling houses were entirely ruined—leveled to the ground; and many others badly wrecked. A number of people were injured: two are dead and three or four others are in a critical condition. Of our Adventist people only one family suffered any physical injury, but the houses of all suffered badly. Brother Alex Simon's beautiful home is entirely destroyed. How absolutely uncertain are all things earthly! And yet how few are making definite and sure preparations for the enduring riches!

Yesterday I came here via Utica where Brother H. E. Glanz kindly met me with his car. When we were but two miles on our way, however, our auto became stubborn and in spite of all our kind and persevering efforts refused to go any farther; and we were compelled to abandon it, and phone back to Utica for a livery team to bring us to our destination, but too late for the evening services. The auto is a fine thing when O. K. but fearfully stubborn when stubborn. The old reliable way is still a pretty good thing.

Office Notes

E. Harris

Sister Maggie Ogden was with the Liberal church assisting in the young people's convention.

Miss Eunice Crawford, conference Sabbath-school secretary, went to Wichita last week to attend the Sabbath-school convention.

Elder A. S. Bringle reports a fair interest in the meetings at Iuka, near Naron. The meetings are being held in a store building.

Brother H. L. Shafer, who is laboring in Wichita is now using a club of fifty copies of the *Signs of the*

Times weekly. Why should not all our workers do likewise, even though the club may not be so large?

Elder Sutton left last week for Downs to attend a board meeting of the Hill Academy.

Austin Cole is also canvassing around Salina, and he will probably work with Brother Callender for some time to come.

Elder Sutton returned from Liberal last week where he spent several days holding meetings with the church. He reported that they had some good meetings.

The Wichita church had their Sabbath-school convention last Sabbath and Sunday. We have not yet heard from the convention, but we have good reasons to believe that they had a profitable time.

L. R. Ackerman went to Wichita on Monday to assist Sister Callender in the canvassing work. Mrs. Ackerman also accompanied him, and expects to spend a short time in the sanitarium.

Mrs. Ackerman of Santa Barbara, Cal., is visiting her son in Hutchinson, Kans., at present. Mrs. Ackerman has been spending several months in the east visiting relatives.

Elder S. S. Shrock has recently visited the Shaffer church and is now at Collyer. We sincerely trust that his visit to these churches will prove a great blessing.

We were happily surprised the other day to receive through the General Conference treasurer, a receipt for one hundred dollars which had been sent in by one of our isolated brethren for missions.

Mrs. Edward Harris is making a favorable recovery from a very serious operation which was performed at the Stewart Hospital in the city of Hutchinson about five weeks ago.

We had a very pleasant visit with Brother W. J. Huffman while he was here recently making the annual audit of the conference and tract society books. Brother Huffman went from Hutchinson to Topeka.

Elder H. R. Godfrey returned home to his family last week from the Kansas Sanitarium, where he has spent

several weeks recuperating and taking treatment. We hope that he will be in better health now than he has been for several months past.

Brother A. E. Hopkins of Great Bend, Kansas, called at the office while on his way to Liberal, to visit a sick brother. Before leaving Brother Hopkins gave his order for a club of the *Signs of the Times* weekly to be sent to some of the prominent citizens of Great Bend.

A few weeks ago a good brother in the western part of the state sent us \$36.00 to pay for nine hundred *Signs* to be sent to the public school teachers of Kansas. This is good missionary endeavor.

This is a good time to send in orders for clubs of the *Signs of the Times*, for missionary work. The Religious Liberty series of the *Signs* will be splendid reading for Seventh-day Adventists, and every body else. Order now so that you will have the first number of the series.

During the past few months we have been making special efforts to get complete returns from our churches. According to the latest reports we find that the total number of Sabbath-keepers in the conference is nine hundred twenty.

The conference committee was in session at Hutchinson April 9 and 10. Plans were laid for the annual camp-meeting which is to be held at Salina, September 5-15. The field work for the tent season was also arranged for.

Brother Jesse Miller, who has been selling our ten cent magazines in the city of Wichita, has been spending a short time with his parents at home at Severy since the institute. He writes us that he is now planning to take up the work again at once, and will go to Great Bend this week. He has ordered two hundred fifty *Watchman*.

L. R. Ackerman returned to Hutchinson on Sunday, April 28, from Salina where he had been for ten days assisting Ray Callender who has just taken up the canvassing work. They were greatly hindered for two days on account of the motorcycle getting out of working order. They also struck some very hilly and thinly settled country.

Care not how many, but whom you please.

Garden City, Kansas

Orno Follett

Our interest here in Garden City is still good. One more has taken a firm stand for the truth since my last report.

We continue to have a good regular attendance in our meetings. One of the local ministers offered some opposition to our work recently, but thus far, has gained nothing by it. The majority of those who are attending regularly, express faith in our message, but the greater part of them are slow to obey from the heart what they know to be duty. Many are in the valley of decision. If ever we needed the prayers of God's people, brethren, it is now. So pray for these lingering ones, and pray for us who stand before them with a message which means life to those who accept, and death to those who do not heed.

Sister Webb, who recently began to obey, has moved to Texas. Brother and Sister Wilhite expect to move to Missouri, and will doubtless be there ere this appears in print. A third family, the first who began to keep the Sabbath after my wife and I came to Garden City last summer, expect to move to Colorado in about a month. And so although the work has been growing in Garden City, the believers are moving away and thinning our ranks, but we trust that those who go to other places will become soul-winners in their respective communities. And our prayers are that their vacancies here may be filled by new members.

South Missouri Conference

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Field Notes

L. W. Terry

Sister Minnie Robbins is visiting her parents in Texas.

Elder Schroeder has accepted a call to labor in Minnesota, and is closing up his work in the South Missouri Conference preparatory to leaving for that field. We shall miss him from this conference and pray that God's blessings will follow Brother Schroeder and his family.

Elder J. Z. Walker, who has returned to Missouri and located in Poplar Bluff, is holding meetings in the country near that place and reports some interest.

Elder M. Mackintosh has just closed

a meeting at Eldorado Springs, where five were baptized and united with the church.

Elder Lysinger and myself have been holding meetings with the Joplin and Carthage churches since April 7. We are now at Carthage where the attendance is increasing every night.

A Word From Old Mexico

From a private letter written by Brother J. A. P. Green, general canvassing agent for Mexico, we take the liberty of making the following extract, which will be of interest to the readers of the *OUTLOOK*. The paragraphs quoted below gives the experiences of Brother Green and Brother Brown on their trip from Yucatan to the city of Mexico.

"At last Brother Brown and I have reached Tacubaya. The homeward trip was full of experiences. The steamer 'Yucatan' left Frontera, Tabasco, Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m. Thursday at 8 p. m. we were ten miles from Veracruz. We were glad to know that soon we would be ashore once more. But we did not get ashore until a late hour. The steamer 'Hidalgo,' belonging to the same company, was on her way to Prontera, under full steam. Our captain kept in the right course, but it seemed as if the other captain wanted to cross our bow. It so puzzled our captain that he ordered the machinery to stop but it was stopped too late. Our steamer hit the other in the center and in fifteen minutes the other boat was sunk. The cry 'save us' from both boats was very pathetic. Henry and I stood with everything off but our underclothes. We knew if we got into the water with all our clothes on we would stand very little show of ever reaching shore.

"Nearly everyone on the other boat was saved. For awhile it was thought that our boat was sinking. The people were frantic. I did feel funny. Henry and I had our prayers while the others were threatening the captain on the Yucatan. So we go through life. We know not what is before us. If we must die in an accident, I pray that my prospectus will be found in my little coat pocket. I pray that when that moment comes I can say with Paul, 'For I am now ready.' If the other boat had hit us, which it would have done if our captain had not stopped the engines, we all would have been drowned. But no, God has work to do in Mexico. The enemy is trying in every way to get rid of us. If

not by revolution, then some other way. I want to love this message more, then I will work more."

From St. Louis

A. C. Anderson

As I mingle among the multitudes yet unwarned and unsaved, my heart yearns for them, and I feel a greater need of the fulness of the Holy Spirit in my life, that my labor and ministry may be more fruitful. If there ever was a time when we needed the special guidance of the Spirit, it is in these days when unbelief and skepticism is rampant.

Oh! for more power to lead famishing souls to the last great supper of the Lamb! I sometimes ask myself the question, How shall this great and wicked city be warned before the gates of mercy are closed? They must be sought out one by one just now. When the loud cry comes we may be privileged to fish with nets for a short time, but not so now. "Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them: and after will I send for many hunters and they shall hunt them." By this we see that we must come in personal contact with the people, and personal appeal will bring personal surrender.

We are working from house to house with the "Family Bible Teacher." I have also taken many subscriptions for our papers. May the seed sown fall into good ground, and may the honest in heart soon be gathered out.

"Ours the seedtime; God alone Beholds the seed of what is sown: Beyond our vision, weak and dim. The harvest time is hid in Him."

Say not ye there are yet four months, and then cometh the harvest?" (This was the usual period between seedtime and harvest in Palestine.) But "the days come, saith the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper." This prophecy is meeting its fulfilment in our day, even in St. Louis. The transforming power of God is bursting upon souls already prepared by God, and the man who has sown the seed may yet become the reaper even while he is yet sowing.

I find dear souls who are longing for this truth, and wonder why we have not come to them before. We must expect results in our cities; all are not pleasure seekers, all are not corrupt. Let the transforming power of Christ flash out from us who carry this message and we shall see results. May God help me and my fellow workers to gain a complete victory over

every besetting sin: "Then," saith David, "will I teach transgressors Thy ways: and sinners shall be converted unto Thee." See Ps. 51:10-13.

Some wish to be baptized in the near future for which I am glad. Four or five wish to take up the canvassing work this summer, and we are going to have a canvassers' institute, beginning May 5, to drill and train them for more efficient work in the Lord's vineyard. Brother Limerick will be here to conduct the institute, which will continue for a week. We hope that others will be impressed to take up this important work.

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Among the Churches

J. W. Christian

Tuesday the 23rd was spent at Hastings with the office help and at the sanitarium. Leaving there I came on to Ragan and spent the evening with the believers at that place and attending the wedding of Brother and Sister Williams' oldest daughter. Our people quite generally were present, and we had a pleasant little visit together. It has been a long time since I have had the privilege to see these dear ones.

Wednesday I spent at Minden visiting at the home of Sister Covington. This was a very pleasant day to me. It is always a pleasure to meet those who love the Lord and the truth for this time. While at Minden I met a man who had settled, with my father, in Minnesota about the year 1866. He has lately moved to Nebraska.

On the evening train I came on to Atlanta. I found a hospitable home at Mr. Fulk's, and spent the evening in pleasant conversation regarding the work. Sister Manfull, Mr. Fulk's daughter has been asked to connect with the sanitarium at College View as assistant matron. Sister Manfull has given several years of her life to teaching in the public schools, but has felt a desire for some time to enter the Lord's work. We shall appreciate her services, and it will lend strength to the faculty at the sanitarium. The next morning I visited at the homes of Sisters Freeland and Colton. These aged sisters are rejoicing in the Lord and confidently looking to their final deliverance. In the afternoon Brother

Bryon Fulk took me out to the home of Brother Peterson. We spent two hours there and closed our visit with a season of prayer. It was a long day of constant going, but it will always linger a happy one.

On the evening train I came on to Edison where I was met by Brother Fewell who took me to his home in his auto. We drove up to the Union Church about six miles north of his home where Brother Paulson is holding meetings. We came a little late, but I enjoyed the privilege of speaking to the company that had gathered. Brother Paulson has a good interest, and we should pray that a goodly number may accept the truth.

Friday morning Brother Fewell cranked up his car and took me to Beaver City. We visited most of our people living in town and in the afternoon drove out to the church. We were met here by Brethren Taft and Prichard and looked over the church property which has been somewhat damaged as it has filled in with dirt during the recent rains. It was decided to raise the building and put it in better order generally. Sabbath was a busy day. We met for service at 10:30 and then had our lunch and in the afternoon had the Sabbath-school and another service. The Lord came very near to us and while this was my first visit to the church, I greatly enjoyed it and felt very much at home. We have a very earnest company of believers here and the Lord has given them favor with the people. I shall long remember this meeting.

In the evening we returned to Brother Fewell's home where I stayed until the next morning when I came on to Hastings to attend the graduating exercises at the sanitarium. Brother Fewell was very kind to give his time and service of his auto which made this trip possible. May the Lord reward him for his kindness.

Oakdale

L. B. Porter

In the early part of February in company with Brother Field, I visited Arabia where a few of our people are located, and enjoyed a few pleasant and profitable days with them. Here is where Brother Peterson lives who furnished us a team which enabled us to do much more visiting than we otherwise could have done.

We then visited a neighborhood fifteen miles east of Valentine, where we could not arouse an interest, eith-

er by public meetings, or house to house visiting.

Finding our efforts fruitless there, we proceeded east about ten miles farther down the Niobrara River, where we obtained the use of the Penbrook school house.

Here we found many of the people not only anxious to attend our meetings, but deeply interested in the study of the Bible.

Although this school house was located among the high hills and narrow canyons on the north bank of the Niobrara River, where, during the meetings, the snow was deep and the weather cold, yet the little house was crowded with interested listeners night after night for several weeks, resulting in six promising to obey all the commandments. Three of these have moved away from the neighborhood, and three remained on their farm near the school house where a Sabbath-school of eight has been organized, with Sister Hittle, who gave us such a cordial welcome to her commodious and comfortable home, to act as superintendent.

Under her watchful eye we feel safe to leave the little company, as she has had years of experience, and is not a stranger to opposition, nor how to successfully meet it.

From here we visited several of the isolated brethren and sisters in the sand hills south of Cody and as far west as Gordon.

It is refreshing to meet these lonely pilgrims, whose tables are well supplied with our books and periodicals, and listen to their courageous testimonies, as they assure us that we are well able to go up and possess the goodly land.

We often hear it said, What is home without a mother? We feel equally justified in declaring, What is an Adventist home without our books and periodicals? As children are in great danger of getting out from under the restraining influence of the mother on the one side, and of their influence to lead them to Christ on the other, so those that fail to take and read our spirit-filled books and periodicals miss the many notes of warning and messages of encouragement with which they abound. And sooner or later, if this practice is continued, they will find themselves blasted with the east wind, and like Jonah's gourd, wither away and die.

After completing our sand hill trip among the bluffs of Snake River, which feat we accomplished by the aid of Brother Gardiner's team for the first

twenty miles, and the last hundred and twenty miles we were favored with Brother Malone's team, himself doing the driving, we came to Valentine to attend a general meeting that was held there from April 16-21 designed to be of special interest to the scattered brethren and sisters in the northwestern part of the state, the most of whom were in attendance.

The outside attendance was light at the first, but increased through the meeting until the last evening when every seat was occupied.

A number of the citizens of the village accommodated us with free beds for which we feel very thankful, and on our departure invited us to return and hold another meeting, assuring us that the same favors would be repeated.

We had expected Elder House to be with us, but it seems that he had an interest elsewhere that demanded his attention, so could not be there. Then our minds centered on Elder Robinson, but for some reason he did not put in his appearance, and I had to walk back alone from the train to which I went to meet him.

Elder Christian arrived in time to be present at the first meeting, and remained with us until the close, and he was not the only help we had. The Spirit of the Lord was there in power, and many and rich were the blessings we received each day of the gathering.

But the best of the wine was withheld until the last day of the feast, when ten willing souls were baptized in the mill pond on the Minnehaduzza, and united with the Valentine church.

We were given free use of the bath house for a dressing room. Pray for the work in this part of the field.

Temperance Program

An interesting and enthusiastic temperance program was rendered in the College View Seventh-day Adventist church on Sabbath, May 4, occupying the time of the regular morning service.

The program had been arranged by Mrs. E. M. Stevens, temperance secretary of the church. A solo by Mr. Arthur Smith, entitled "Daniel's Band," the congregation joining in the chorus, began the exercises.

Mrs. L. V. Robinson conducted an instructive Bible study, contrasting what the Bible says concerning the way of intemperance versus the way of temperance. Texts were first read showing that the results of intemperance are: woe, sorrow, redness of eyes, contentions, babblings, wounds without

cause, bitten as by serpents, in captivity, famished, dried up with thirst, brought low, no regard for God or His work, root as rottenness, blossom as the dust, go down to a dishonored grave, shut out of heaven, devoured as stubble.

Another series of texts was presented showing that the way of temperance results in: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, virtue, knowledge, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, charity, fruitful in good works, knowing the Lord, never falling, an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of God, a crown of everlasting life.

Following the Bible study, Elder A. T. Robinson delivered a brief address, saying in part: "Every true reform has its place in the gospel. Especially does the temperance reform demand the support of Christian workers. The honor of God, the stability of the nation, the well-being of the community, of the home, and of the individual, demand that every possible effort be made to arouse the people to the evils of intemperance. There is no man whose interests the liquor traffic does not imperil. There is no man who for his own safeguard should not set himself to destroy it. We can not be too earnest in our efforts to hinder the progress of the monster evil of intemperance, to raise the fallen, and shield the weak from temptation. With our feeble hands we can seemingly do but little, but we have an unfailing Helper. We must not forget that the arm of Christ can reach to the very depths of human woe and degradation.

"While Christians are asleep, this great evil is gaining more strength and making fresh victims. This temperance program is a fresh call from God for this people to arouse, for each one to do his part in helping to check this mighty oncoming tide of destruction."

The program was interspersed with appropriate song selections, "Wave the Temperance Banner High" being sung by four boys.

A call for money to meet the cost of distributing the temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor* met with a liberal response on the part of the congregation, \$48.59 being contributed, which, with \$18.35 previously given, makes 66.94 donated by the church for this purpose.

Laborers wanted. The ripening grain
Waits to welcome the reaper's cry.
The Lord of the harvest calls again;
Who among us shall first reply,
"Who is wanted, Lord,—is it I?"



Next Sabbath the College View and Lincoln Sabbath-schools are to unite in an all day's Sabbath-school convention.

Professor Griggs is spending a few days in Colorado, visiting Campion Academy and other schools in the Colorado Conferences. When he left College View, he was planning to make a trip to Keene, Texas, before returning to College View.

Elder H. A. Aufderhar, of Colorado, has accepted an invitation from the board of trustees of the Clinton German Seminary to act as principal and business manager of that institution next year. Professor G. A. Grauer retires from the principalship and will spend most of his time in the field in the interest of the seminary.

In about two weeks from now there will be the usual annual exodus of young people from College View, following the close of another school year which gives evidence of being one of the best years that Union College has ever enjoyed. We also hear good reports from the other schools throughout the Central Union Conference.

We learn that important changes are about to be made in connection with our general book workers. Brother James Cochran, who has been in charge of the Kansas City Branch of the Pacific Press for about eighteen years, has accepted an invitation to connect with the work at the home office in Mountain View, Cal. Brother S. N. Curtis, manager of the Review and Herald, is to take charge of the Kansas City Pacific Press Branch, and Brother E. R. Palmer is to succeed in the management of the Review and Herald.

Elder E. T. Russell preached the baccalaureate sermon in connection with the graduating exercises of Hastings Sanitarium Nurses' Class on Sabbath, April 27. From there he went to Colorado and was to spend Sabbath and Sunday, April 4 and 5 at Denver.

Brother F. L. Limerick, in a private note says:—

"In starting a new canvasser today near Hamilton I sold \$23 worth of Great Controversy in one hour and a half."

Prof. M. B. Van Kirk will soon be closing his work as principal of the Graysville Academy. He writes that he expects to reach College View early in June to enter fully upon his work as Union Conference educational secretary. He has been getting in as close touch as possible with the work through correspondence for several weeks.

Elder V. W. Robb, a former Nebraska laborer, writing from his present field of labor, Winnipeg, Manitoba, says: "We are enjoying our work here very much, and several have taken their stand for the truth and will join our little company next Sabbath, and we are looking for some more in the near future. We are not tired of the work here, neither are we discouraged nor homesick, but the good home paper, the OUTLOOK, has a very warm place in our hearts, and we look with longing eyes to its weekly visits. Enclosed please find fifty cents for renewal of my subscription."

Obituary

Jennie Blanche Stewart was born near Dumont, Butler Co., Iowa. She moved to Crawford, Nebr., at the age of seven with her parents, professed faith in Christ at the age of fifteen, and was a charter member of the Crawford S. D. A. Church. She was teaching a public school near her home and returned from school March 8th not feeling well. A doctor was called the next day, and he pronounced it heart trouble. She partly recovered from this, but on April 3, she had a paralytic stroke and died April 13, being 33 years, 3 months, and 29 days old.

Her life has been that of a faithful Christian. She has carried many and important responsibilities in the church and will be greatly missed by all the members. Her mind was clear almost to the last, and she constantly spoke of her faith in her Redeemer. We laid her to rest April 16, until Jesus comes. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assister by Elder J. H. Wheeler. D. U. Hale.

"The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

A very interesting program is being arranged to mark the close of the twenty-first year of Union College. It is expected that several prominent men of the denomination will be present and participate in the exercises, and Governor Aldrich of Nebraska has been invited to deliver an address.

Hymeneal

The home of Brother and Sister Geo. A. W. Williams of Ragan was made festive Tuesday evening, April 23, at which time their eldest daughter Mary Ada was given in marriage to Brother Leonard McIntyre of Rice, La. The young people had met while in Graysville Academy some years ago, and while Miss Mary had come north with her parents, the bond of affection had only strengthened and finally the young man came to take his bride back to the blooming fields of the south.

Only the relatives and near friends were present to witness the ceremony which made these young people companions for life. The happy couple departed the next morning for their future home with the parental benediction and the good wishes of a large circle of friends resting upon them.

May the dear Lord add His richest blessing to this union and give them a long and useful life here and an inheritance together in the world to come.

J. W. Christian.

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